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SUBJECT: SAUDI ARABIAN APPROACH TO JAPAN ON ME

REF: TOKYO 13617

DURING CALL FOR BRIEFING ON MIDDLE EAST SITUATION BY
ASSISTANT SECRETARY SISCO ON OCTOBER 11, JAPANESE AMBASSADOR
YASUKAWA HANDED OVER A MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION BETWEEN
SAUDI ARABIAN MINISTER YAMANI AND JAPANESE AMBASSADOR
TAKASUGI ON OCTOBER 2 IN JIDDA. YASUKAWA SAID THAT
AMBASSADOR TAKASUGI HAD CALLED ON YAMANI UNDER INSTRUCTIONS
TO EXPRESS JAPANESE CONCERN WITH REPORTS THAT SAUDI ARABIA
WAS CONTEMPLATING A REDUCTION IN HER CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION.
THE MEMCON STATES THAT YAMANI HAD INFORMED THE JAPANESE
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AMBASSADOR OF PRESSURES ON SAUDI ARABIA TO REDUCE HER OIL

PRODUCTION TO 5 MILLION B/D AND WENT ON TO SAY THAT A DECISION WAS IMMINENT WITH REGARD TO A REDUCTION OF THE AVERAGE PRODUCTION LEVEL FOR 1973 TO 7.2 MILLION B/D. TAKASUGI HAD NOTED TO YAMANI THAT JAPAN, NOT THE US, WOULD BE HIT MOST SEVERELY IF SUCH A REDUCTION WERE PUT INTO FORCE. YAMANI HAD THEN ASKED JAPAN TO IMPRESS THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE SITUATION ON THE USG. (IN PRESENTING THIS MEMCON, AMBASSADOR YASUKAWA DID NOT ASSOCIATE HIS GOVERNMENT WITH THIS REQUEST BUT LET THE MEMORANDUM SPEAK FOR ITSELF.)

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